

On the afternoon of March 17, 1979, DWP and SRP discovered the notice of the wedding of Ora Esmarilda Loomis and William Anderson Russell on April 10, 1907 in the April 11, 1907 issue of The Carbondale Leader (p. 5, col. 3) in the newspaper reading room of the Carbondale Public Library. A photograph of that notice was taken by DWP. It is from a print of that photographic negative that SRP typed the text that is given below:

VERY PRETTY HOME WEDDING

Miss Ora Loomis and William A. Russell
Wedded Last Evening.

One of the prettiest home weddings recently celebrated in this city and an event, the preparations for which caused widespread interest owing to the prominence of the contracting parties was that of Miss Ora E. Loomis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Loomis, of No. 161 Lincoln avenue, and William Anderson Russell, of Fell township. This happy event was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents last evening at 8 o'clock by Rev. H. J. Whalen, D.D., pastor of the Berean church. The house had been prettily decorated for the affair, great bouquets of cut flowers lending a dainty effect to the massed palms and ferns that formed the principal decorations. In the parlor where the marriage took place, the decorations were of an especially elaborate character.

The wedding march from Lohengrin, was rendered by Leon L. Bly. The bride and groom were unattended and the ceremony was witnessed by only the members of the bride's and groom's families. The bride, who is one of the city's prettiest daughters, presented a very charming appearance. Following the ceremony there was a season of hearty congratulations and a bountiful wedding dinner was then enjoyed. The bride received many handsome favors from relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Russell departed on the 10 o'clock Delaware and Hudson train south, to enjoy a wedding trip to the larger eastern cities. They will be at home at the Russell homestead, in Fell township, after the first of May.

Both the bride and groom are among the most prominent and popular young people in this section and their union is one that causes widespread pleasure and will bring to them the heartiest felicitations of their very wide circle of friends.

Early in 1981, DWP arranged to have OELR's wedding gown cleaned by Mrs. Albert Corbett, Box 46, Paupack, PA. 18451; phone 226-4494